MERGER-INDUCED QUASARS, THEIR LIGHT CURVES AND THEIR HOSTS

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Durham, "What drives the Growth of Black Holes?" 28/07/10

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SAMs are working hard to understand what is going on...



Malbon et al.



our knowledge on the physics of accretion onto BHs and their interaction with galaxies is still poor to draw firm conclusions"

Fontanot et al.



<u>A basic model for QSOs</u>



$$\Phi(L,z) = \iint dM_H dt \frac{d^2 n_H}{dM_H dt} P[L \mid M_H, t, z]$$

Second Ingredient: BH Light Curve



The luminosity function

















Additional constraints from deep X-ray counts: preferred <u>sharply</u> <u>declining</u> light curves.



Marcella Brusa et al. 2009

Get additional information on high-z, obscured AGNs from the posters by E. Treister, A. Comastri, and F. Bauer









Seeding Centrals and Satellites with BHs

From match to large scales N(Mh) minimum halo mass Mmin





FS, D. Weinberg, J. Miralda-Escude' 2010

 $\frac{Pc(Mbh) + Ps(Mbh) \sim U(Mbh,z)}{U(Mbh,z) \sim \Phi(L,z)/n(Mbh,z)}$

Q=Ps/Pc must significantly increase at z<1!



What are the predictions on Accretion properties?

P(L/Ledd) at fixed BH mass



Time varying Lpeak-Mhalo relation + broadening LC

Decreasing Eddington Ratio distributions

Large fraction of the XRBG formed by massive BHs accreting at low L/LEdd



Kollmeier et al. 2006



Netzer & Trakhtenbrot 2007 (see also Vestergaard 2004 and Trakhtenbrot's poster!)

All SMBHs accreting at the same (low!) mode at z=0





Consequences of a redshift-dependent P(L/Ledd)









CONCLUSIÓNS

Starting From a Basic Model for the Triggering and Shining of QSOs we find very general conclusions:

1-*High clustering of z>3 QSOs* : sharply peaked LC; super-Edd/massive BH seeds;

2-Increasing fraction of active satellites with time

3-Decreasing characteristic L/Ledd with time

4-*Flatter* BH mass function at the low-mass end and *higher* number density of *high-mass* BHs

5-Scaling Relations : at high-z favors higher Mbh/Mstar!